Natural Resources Conservation Service

Application Ranking Summary

Wildlife Habitat Pollinators

Program:	Ranking Date:	Application Number:
Ranking Tool: Wildlife Habitat Pollinators		Applicant:
Final Ranking Score:		Address:
Planner:		Telephone:
Farm Location:		

National Priorities Addressed

Issue Questions	Responses
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1. a. Is the program application to support the development of a Conservation Activity Plan (CAP)? If answer is "Yes", do not answer any other national level questions. If answer is "No", proceed with evaluation to address the remaining questions in this section.	Yes O or No O
Water Quality Degradation – Will the proposed project improve water quality by: (select all that apply)	
2. a. Implementing the practices in a Comprehensive Nutrient Management Plan (CNMP)?	Yes O or No O
2. b. Implementing the practices in a Nutrient Management Plan (NMP)?	Yes O or No O
2. c. Reducing impacts from sediment, nutrients, salinity, or pesticides on land adjoining a designated "impaired water body" (TMDL, 303d listed waterbody, or other State designation)?	Yes O or No O
2. d. Reducing the impacts from sediment, nutrients, salinity, or pesticides in a "non-impaired water body"?	Yes O or No O
2. e. Implementing practices that improve water quality through animal mortality and carcass management?	Yes O or No O
Water Conservation – Will the proposed project conserve water by: (select all that apply)	
3. a. Implementing irrigation practices that reduce aquifer overdraft.	Yes O or No O
3. b. Implementing irrigation practices that reduce on-farm water use?	Yes O or No O
3. c.Implementing practices in an area where the applicant participates in a geographically established or watershed-wide project?	Yes O or No O
3. d. Implementing practices that reduce on-farm water use as a result of changing to crops with lower water consumptive use, the rotation of crops, or the modification of cultural operations?	Yes O or No O
Air Quality - Will the proposed project improve air quality by: (select all that apply)	
4. a. Meeting on-farm regulatory requirements relating to air quality or proactively avoid the need for regulatory measures?	Yes O or No O
4. b. Implementing practices that reduce on-farm emissions of particulate matter (PM2.5, PM10)?	Yes O or No O
4. c.Implementing practices that reduce on-farm generated greenhouse gases such as carbon dioxide (CO2), methane (CH4), and nitrous oxide (N2O)?	Yes O or No O
4. d. Implementing practices that increase on-farm carbon sequestration?	Yes O or No O
Soil Health:- Will the proposed project improve soil health by: (select all that apply)	
5. a. Reduce erosion to tolerable limits (Soil "T")?	Yes O or No O
5. b.Increasing organic matter and carbon content, and improving soil tilth and structure?	Yes O or No O
Wildlife Habitat – Will the proposed project improve wildlife habitat by: (select all that apply)	
6. a. Implementing practices benefitting threatened and endangered, at-risk, candidate, or species of concern.	Yes O or No O
6. b. Implementing practices that retain wildlife and plant habitat on land exiting the Conservation	Yes O or No O

Reserve Program (CRP) or other set-aside program?	
6. c. Implementing practices benefitting honey bee populations or other pollinators?	Yes O or No O
6. d. Implementing land-based practices that improve habitat for aquatic wildlife?	Yes O or No O
Plant and Animal Communities: Will the proposed project improve plant and animal communities by: (select all that apply)	
7. a. Implementing practices that result in the management control of noxious or invasive plant species on non-cropland?	Yes O or No O
7. b. Implementing practice in an Integrated Pest Management Plan (IPM)?	Yes O or No O
Energy Conservation—Will the proposed project reduce energy use by: (select all that apply)	
8. a. Reducing on-farm energy consumption?	Yes O or No O
8. b. Implementing practice(s) identified in an approved AgEMP or energy audit, which meet ASABE S612 criteria?	Yes O or No O
Business Lines – Will the practices to be scheduled in the "EQIP Plan of Operations" result in:	
9. a. Enhancement of existing conservation practice(s) or conservation systems already in place at the time the application is received?	Yes O or No O

State Issues Addressed

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Issue Questions	Responses	
1. Does any planned seeding mix include at least a minimum of 9-11 oz. of Common Milkweed (Asclepias syriaca), plus 4-5 oz. of Swamp Milkweed (Asclepias incarnata) for VPD-WD soils, or 4-5 oz. of Butterfly Milkweed (Asclepias tuberosa) for MWD-ED soils? (25 Points)	Yes O or No O	
2. Does any planned seeding mix include at least 1 species per blooming period from the list of nectar plants beneficial to monarchs? (10 points). Refer to the "327 Indiana Monarch Species" list for species rated 'High' or 'Very High' which meet this criteria. This list can be accessed on the Indiana SharePoint site Technology tab under 'Pollinator Resources'.	Yes O or No O	
3. Does any planned seeding mix include at least 20 species of forbs beneficial to pollinators? (25 points) Refer to the forbs sheet (327 Pollinator purpose) generated through the Seeding Calculator for this information.	Yes O or No O	
4. Does any planned seeding mix include at least 1 native legume? (10 points) Refer to the "327 Indiana Native Legume Species" list on the Indiana SharePoint site Technology tab under 'Pollinator Resources' for species which meet this criteria, or consult with the State Biologist to determine if the species is considered a native legume.	Yes O or No O	
5. Is the site at least 30 feet from areas that will receive insecticides (crop, pasture, lawns, orchards, etc.)? (35 points). Guidance for how to answer this question: "Site" should be interpreted to mean the area of the pollinator planting itself (may be part of a larger, more general seeding effort). Ask the applicant whether or not insecticides are being used in vicinity of the location – if the applicant cannot answer or isn't sure, assume insecticides are being used on cropland acres.	Yes O or No O	
6. Does any part of the SCHEDULE OF OPERATIONS benefit a species in most need of conservation as indicated in the Indiana State Wildlife Action Plan (SWAP)? (50 Points) SWAP species are listed in the "Indiana SWAP_2015 Priority Species (Chapter 5, Table 5-1)", available on the Indiana SharePoint site Technology tab under 'Wildlife'.	Yes O or No O	
7. Does any part of the SCHEDULE OF OPERATIONS fall within the C.O.R.R.I.D.O.R.S priority areas (see F:\geodata\project data\nrcs\Ranking_Layers\EQIP\2017\CORRIDORS_focal-regi ons_all.lyr) (40 points):	Yes O or No O	
8. Will any of the planned seeding mixes contain a minimum of 3 species for each bloom period (early, mid and late) that are beneficial to pollinators (for a total of 9 species)? (25 Points)	Yes O or No O	
9. Will the SCHEDULE OF OPERATIONS have a direct positive effect on a Threatened or Endangered Species? (70 points) Answer "yes" if the project is identified by the Toolkit T&E tool (i.e. Bat Button), AND restores habitat that meets the requirements for program ranking criteria listed in the Toolkit hot-linked T&E guidance documents.	Yes O or No O	
10. Is the offered acreage adjacent to a protected conservation area? Eligible areas include: Federal/State wildlife refuges, forests, parks and nature preserves; Nature Conservancy lands; or other areas protected by a minimum 30 year easement with wildlife management objectives (for example: 30 year or permanent easements in WRP). Classified Wildlands and Classified Forest areas are not deed- restrictive easements, and therefore not considered protected conservation areas. (25 points) Data layers available at F:\geodata\environmental_easements include: Easements Layer (easements_a_in.lyr) Areas managed by IDNR	Yes O or No O	

(Managed_Lands_IDNR_IN.lyr). Additional eligible data sources may be available at the local level. Note the source (Cons-6) if alternate data sources are used.	
11. Is the offered acreage less than 1/2 mile from a protected conservation area? (See restrictions in question 10). (15 points)	Yes O or No O
12. Will any of the planned pollinator seeding mixes identified in Question #8 include at least 1 flowering shrub in addition to the forbs? (15 points) Refer to the "612 Pollinator Tree-Shrub List" for species that meet this criteria, or consult with the State Forester to determine if the species is considered a flowering tree/shrub. This list can be accessed on the Indiana SharePoint site Technology tab under 'Pollinator Resources'.	Yes O or No O
13. Will all vegetative and/or structural practices included in the application be scheduled to be completed within two years of the obligation date? (5 points)	Yes O or No O
14. Will the practices included in the application address resource concerns identified in an existing management plan written for this land, and is "wildlife habitat" the PRIMARY resource concern and/or landowner objective? (50 points) Fish and Wildlife CAPs are considered eligible plans. Forest management plans must list wildlife as the primary objective.	Yes O or No O

Local Issues Addressed

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Award points based on the resource concerns being addressed in this application, relative to Local Work Group priority resource concerns for your county.	
1. Sheet, Rill & Wind: Bartholomew,Benton,Blackford,Boone,Cass,Crawford,D earborn,Franklin,Gibson,Hamilton,Hendricks,Jackso n,Jefferson,Jennings,Marshall,Montgomery,Pike,Pul aski,Putnam,Ripley,Shelby,Spencer,St Joseph, Switzerland,Union,Vanderburgh,White Concentrated Flow: Dubois,Fountain,Grant,Kosciusko,Miami,Posey,Warric k,Washington Ex Bank Erosion: Floyd OM Depletion: Fulton,Greene,Hancock,Harrison,Henry,Knox,LaGrange ,Madison Compaction: Delaware,Jay,Tipton Excess Nutrients in S/G Waters: Adams,Allen,Carroll,Clinton,Decatur,DeKalb,Elkhart ,Fayette,Howard,Huntington,Jasper,Johnson,Lake,La Porte,Marion,Newton,Noble,Orange,Perry,Porter,Ran dolph,Starke,Tippecanoe,Wayne,Wells,Whitley Exce ssive Sediment in Surface Waters: Clay, Daviess, Martin, Morgan, Owen, Parke, Scott, Steuben, Vermillion Ex Plant Pest Pressure: Rush Undesirable Plant Prod & Health: Brown,Lawrence,Monroe,Sullivan,Vigo Habitat Degradation: Clark Inad Livestock Water: Ohio Priority W/s #1: Wabash-Beargrass Creek	Yes O or No O
2. Sheet, Rill & Wind: Clay,Clinton,Decatur,Floyd,Fountain,Harrison,Johns on,Knox,Miami,Ohio,Starke,Tippecanoe,Vermillion Conc Flow: Carroll,Franklin,Hancock,Jackson,Pike,Vanderburgh Ex Bank Erosion: Owen,Scott,Steuben OM Depletion: Bartholomew,Blackford,Boone,Cass,Daviess,Elkhart,H untington,Jasper,Jay,LaPorte,Martin,Noble,Porter, Pulaski,Putnam,Rush,St Joseph,Wabash Compaction: Grant,Henry,LaGrange,Marshall,Switzerland,Union E x Nutrients: Delaware,Fulton,Gibson,Greene,Hendricks,Jefferson, Montgomery,Parke,Posey,Ripley,Tipton,Warrick,Wash ington Pest Transported to S/G Waters: Madison Ex Pathogens & Chemicals: Randolph Ex Sediment: Benton,Clark,DeKalb,Dubois,Fayette,Hamilton,Howard ,Jennings,Lake,Marion,Newton,Perry,Shelby,Spencer,Wayne,White,Whitley Emissions of GHGs: Kosciusko,Sullivan,Vigo Undes Plant Prod & Health: Adams,Allen,Crawford,Dearborn,Wells Ex Plant Pest Press: Morgan Inad Structure: Brown Inad Feed & Forage: Orange Inad Livestock Water: Lawrence,Monroe	Yes O or No O
3. Sheet, Rill & Wind: Carroll, Clark, Howard, Huntington, LaPorte, Parke, Scott, Vigo Concentrated Flow: Crawford, Gibson, Harrison, Henry, Lake, Marion Excess ive Bank Erosion: Franklin, Miami OM Depletion: Decatur, DeKalb, Delaware, Fountain, Hendricks, Marshall, Montgomery, Newton, Ohio, Starke, Tippecanoe, Vander burgh, Wayne, Whitley Compaction:	Yes O or No O

Allen,Blackford,Boone,Cass,Daviess,Jackson,Putnam, Ripley,Rush Excess Nutrients: Bartholomew,Benton,Clay,Dubois,Hamilton,Hancock,Ja y,Jennings,LaGrange,Morgan,Pike,Pulaski,Shelby,Sp encer,Steuben,Sullivan,Vermillion,Wabash,Wh E xcess Pathogens: Adams,Fulton,Wells Excessive Sediment: Clinton,Dearborn,Elkhart,Jefferson,Johnson,Koscius ko,Madison,Noble,Posey,Tipton,Warrick,Washington Undes Plant Prod & Health: Fayette,Knox,Martin,Owen Ex Plant Pest Pressure: Floyd,Greene,Lawrence,Perry,Randolph Inad Structure & Composition: Porter Emissions of GHGs: Brown,Grant,Monroe Habitat Degradation: Jasper,St Joseph Inadequate Livestock Water: Orange,Switzerland,Union 4. Sheet, Rill & Wind: Greene,Jasper,Newton,Sullivan Conc Flow: Decatur,Fayette,Randolph Ex Ban Erosion: Jackson,Jennings,Putnam,Rush,Wayne OM Depl: Carroll,Clay,Clinton,Crawford,Franklin,Grant,Hamil ton,Posey,Ripley,Shelby,Spencer,Steuben,Vermillio n,Warrick,White Compaction: Adams,Benton,Elkhart,Fulton,Hancock,Huntington,Lak e,Madison,Parke,Starke,Union,Vanderburgh,Wells E x Nutrients: Boone,Cass,Henry,Knox,Kosciusko,Marshall,Monroe,Ow en,St Joseph,Vigo Pest Transported: DeKalb,LaGrange,Montgomery,Noble,Whitley Petroleu m, Heavy Metals: Miami Ex Sediment: Allen,Blackford,Floyd,Fountain,Gibson,Hendricks,La Porte,Lawrence,Pike,Pulaski,Switzerland Ponding, Flooding: Tipton Undes Plant Prod: Delaware,Morgan,Perry,Wabash Ex Plant Pest Pres Clark,Dubois,Harrison,Howard,Jefferson,Ohio,Orange,Tippecanoe Inad Struct & Comp: Martin Emi of GHGs: Jay Habitat Deg: Bartholomew,Brown,Marion,Porter,Scott Inad Feed & Forage: Dearborn,Johnson Inad LS Water: Daviess,Washington	k Yes O or No O
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Land Use:

Resource Concerns	Practices
Ranking Score	
Efficiency:	
Local Issues:	
State Issues:	
National Issues:	
Final Ranking Score:	

This ranking report is for your information. It does not in any way guarantee funding. When funding becomes available, you will be notified if your application is selected for funding. Some changes to the application may be required before a final contract is awarded.

Notes:

	Applicant Signature Not Required on this report for Contract Development unless required by State policy:
Signature Date:	Signature Date: